

State of Tennessee Department of State Tennessee State Library and Archives

Moore Family Papers, 1816-1819; 1824-1900

COLLECTION SUMMARY

Creator:

Moore family

Inclusive Dates:

1816-1819; 1824-1900

Scope & Content:

Collection contains primarily receipts, accounts and other business records of the John Bertie Moore family of Mooreland Plantation, Haywood County, Tennessee, and related families. Some of the earliest documents in the collection are from North Carolina. Documents chiefly reflect transactions involving the sale of land, slaves, farming equipment, dry goods and personal items, and payment of property taxes. Many documents in the pre-Civil War years relate to the sale and shipping of cotton. Also included are documents relating to school tuition, giving permission to purchase family supplies at Fort Pillow during the Civil War period, letters (primarily financial in nature), and promissory notes. Folder 5 consists of documents related to John Bertie Moore's brother Joshua Moore for the period of 1838 to his death in 1843. Among these documents are two articles of agreement for Joshua Moore to teach in Haywood County, Tennessee, dated 1843. Folder 9 contains estate documents related to James W. Moore (d. 1851). The estate was administered by his brother, John Moore.

Physical Description/Extent:

1 cubic foot

Accession/Record Group Number:

Mf. 1996

Language:

English

Permanent Location:

Mf. 1996

Repository:

Tennessee State Library and Archives, 403 Seventh Avenue North, Nashville, Tennessee, 37243-0312

Administrative/Biographical History

John Bertie Moore (1808-1860) came from Bertie, North Carolina, to settle in Haywood County, Tennessee. He had traveled with the Bond and Nixon families, other noted early West Tennessee settlers. Moore purchased a 10,000 acre plantation in 1826 that was located eight miles west of Brownsville. In 1846, Moore married Judith Bell Estes, daughter of Joel and Sarah Langhorne Bates Estes. Children of this union were James West Estes Moore (b. 1850), Joseph John Moore (1854-1927), John B. Moore (b. ca. 1848) and Sallie Virginia Moore (1855-1924). After the passing of John Bertie Moore in 1860, Judith Bell Estes Moore managed the plantation. According to information provided by the collection owners, John Bertie Moore also acted as guardian for his younger brothers, James West Moore and Joshua Moore, both of whom attended Wake Forest College in North Carolina. Joshua Moore died Nov. 30, 1843.

Organization/Arrangement of Materials

Contents have been arranged chronologically by the owners of the records, with two exceptions noted on the container list: the documents pertaining to Joshua Moore and the estate documents of James W. Moore.

Conditions of Access and Use

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No restrictions.

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Index Terms

Personal Names:

Moore, James West, d. 1851 Moore, James West Estes, b. 1850 Moore, John Bertie, 1808-1860 Moore, Joel John, 1854-1927 Moore, Judith Bell Estes, 1824-1903

Subjects:

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Agriculture -- Tennessee -- Haywood County -- 19<sup>th</sup> century
Plantation life -- Tennessee -- Haywood County -- 19<sup>th</sup> century
Slaves -- Tennessee -- Haywood County --19<sup>th</sup> century
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Geographic Names:

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Haywood County (Tenn.) -- Economic conditions -- 19<sup>th</sup> century
Haywood County (Tenn.) -- Social life and customs -- 19<sup>th</sup> century
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Document Types:

Receipts (financial records)
Bills of sale
Accounts
Promissory notes

Acquisition and Appraisal

Provenance and Acquisition:

The Moore Family Papers were loaned to the Tennessee State Library and Archives for microfilming by James and Edith Moore of Nashville, Tenn.

Processing and Administrative Information

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Electronic Location and Access:

http://www.tn.gov/tsla/history/manuscripts/findingaids/mf1996.pdf

DETAILED COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

CONTAINER LIST

Contents/Item Title	Box	Folder
Papers, 1816-1819	1	1
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Papers, 1856-1860	1	10
Papers, 1861-1865	1	11
Papers, 1866-1869	1	12
Papers, 1870-1879	1	13
Papers, 1880-1900	1	14
Papers, undated & fragments	1	15